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Sir:

- This is a Response to the Office action, mailed 07/12/2002, in the above referenced U.S. Patent Application. That Office Action was the first Final Office Action.
- 2. Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of the shortened statutory period for response, which was set to expire THREE MONTHS from 07/12/2002, said one-month extension extending the period to respond to 11/12/2002 in light of the federal Holiday, Veteran's Day, on Monday, 11/11/2002. A form 2038 is attached hereto to provide \$110.00 payment for the requested one-month extension.

In response to the Office action of 07/12/2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

3. In The Claims